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In re Application of:

Hironobu ISHIKAWA, et al.

Application Serial No.: 10/090,267 Filed: March 2, 2002

DECISION ON PETITION

For: CERAMIC DYNAMIC-PRESSURE BEARING

AND HARD DISK DRIVE USING THE SAME

This is a decision on the petition filed April 10, 2006 to withdraw finality of Office action which is treated as a petition pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.181.

Petitioner contends that the Final Office action mailed March 16, 2006 should not have been made final because applicant filed a Request for Suspension of Action for three months under 37 CFR 1.103(c) at the time filing an RCE.

A review of the file finds that a Request for Suspension was in fact filed and inadvertently overlooked by the examiner. Accordingly, the Final Office action mailed March 16, 2006 was premature and is hereby vacated.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Since the three month period for suspension has expired, the application is being forwarded to the examiner for new and appropriate action in due course.

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